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TO AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENGR, SENV, DR, US

SUBJ: MANO ISLAND DEEP WATER PORT PROJECT

REF: SANTO DOMINGO 4556

1. EPA REPORTS THAT DAVID GUTHRIE, AN EMPLOYEE STATIONED IN SAN JUAN, INFORMED A UPI REPORTER (MARGARETT HYMAN), WHO HAS REPEATEDLY INQUIRED, THAT, ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION FROM EPA'S OIL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SPILLS SECTION LOCATED AT ITS EDISON LABORATORY IN N.J. AND WIND VELOCITY AND DIRECTION DATA FROM MONA PASS FROM THE US WEATHER BUREAU IN SAN JUAN, A BUNKER 'C' TYPE OIL IF SPILLED

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NEAR MONA ISLAND UNDER CONDITIONS OF A SPECIAL SEA AND WIND STRENGTH AND DIRECTION COULD REACH THE DOMINICAN

COAST IN ABOUT FIVE DAYS AND SANTO DOMINGO IN TEN DAYS. ACCORDING GUTHRIE, LT. R.B. MONTGOMERY, CHIEF, CAPTAIN OF PORT OFFICE, USCG, SAN JUAN CALLED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF UPI ARTICLE IN SAN JUANSTAR AND INDICATED THAT HE BASICALLY AGREED WITH THE STATEMENT AND THAT A DYE STUDY CONDUCTED BY A MR. RAFAEL CRUZ PEREZ FOR P.R. FOMENTO CAME TO SIMILAR CONCLUSIONS. HOWEVER, COAST GUARD OFFICIALS EMPHASIZE THAT IN MOST SITUATIONS, PREVAILING WINDS AND CURRENTS WOULD NOT CARRY SUCH SPILLS TO SANTO DOMINGO. WHILE NOT IMPOSSIBLE, SUCH OCCURRENCE WOULD BE EXTRAORDINARILY RARE.

2. EPA HAS ALERTED ITS PR OFFICE TO SENSITIVITY OF THIS ISSUE URGING CAUTION ABOUT THE IMPLICATIONS OF UNOFFICIAL EVALUATIONS OF THIS KIND IN FUTURE. KISSINGER

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